

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 and 14-16 are pending in the case. Claim 14 is herein amended for editorial purposes according to the U.S. practice. Claims 12 and 13 are herein cancelled. New claims 15 and 16, corresponding to cancelled claims 12 and 13, are herein added as method claims. No new matter has been introduced.

Consideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

Dated: August 4, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

By 

Charles E. Miller

Registration No.: 24,576

DICKSTEIN SHAPIRO LLP

1177 Avenue of the Americas

41st Floor

New York, New York 10036-2714

(212) 277-6500

Attorney for Applicants

CEM/IY/mgs